

Please amend the claims as follows:

Please cancel claims 18-19, 21-22.

20. (Amended and Allowed) A container opener for opening a plurality of different containers, the container opener comprising:

- a body;
- two or more pockets defined by the body for receiving objects, wherein the two or more pockets are of different sizes;
- a pill splitter defined by the body for splitting pills or tablets into two or more parts;
- a piercing tool supported by the body, wherein the piercing tool is adapted for piercing and cutting; and
- an elastomeric pad supported by the body for frictionally engaging a cap of a container, wherein the elastomeric pad remains substantially flat when engaging the cap.

REMARKS

I. Summary of Rejections

Claims 18-22 are pending in the application. Claims 18-19, 21 and 22 are withdrawn from further prosecution in order to move the case to allowance.

Claim 22 is objected to under 37 CFR 1.75 as being a substantial duplicate of claim 20.

II. Conclusion

With the cancellation of claims 18, 19, 21 and 22 and with the acceptance by the Examiner of the remaining claim 20, applicant feels this application is now in condition for allowance.


Attorneys for Applicant have timely filed this response requiring no fees. However, if any other fees are required in connection with the filing of this paper that are not identified in this response or any accompanying transmittal, the Commissioner of Patents is authorized to charge the fee due, including any fees due for an extension of time, to Deposit Account Number 190011 in the name of Sachnoff & Weaver, Ltd.

The Examiner is invited to direct any questions to the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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